



# Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003

## 2003 CHAPTER 20

### PART 3

#### BRITISH TRANSPORT POLICE

##### *Inspection*

#### **66 Action plan**

- (1) Where this section applies as a result of a report, the Secretary of State may by direction require the Authority to submit to him a plan of action to be taken to remedy a deficiency identified in the report.
- (2) A direction under this section may require a plan to include, in particular—
  - (a) performance targets;
  - (b) a timetable;
  - (c) proposals for assessment of achievement;
  - (d) proposals for reporting to the Secretary of State about progress.
- (3) A direction under this section must specify a period of between four and twelve weeks within which the plan must be submitted.
- (4) Before giving a direction under this section the Secretary of State shall—
  - (a) notify the Authority and the Chief Constable of his intention to give a direction and the reasons for it,
  - (b) give the Chief Constable an opportunity to make representations,
  - (c) give the Authority an opportunity to make representations, and
  - (d) give the Authority an opportunity to propose action that would make it unnecessary for the Secretary of State to give a direction.
- (5) Where the Secretary of State gives a direction under this section he shall notify the Chief Constable.

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- (6) As soon as is reasonably practicable after receiving a direction under this section the Authority shall require the Chief Constable to submit a draft plan of action.
- (7) Before submitting to the Secretary of State a plan which differs from the Chief Constable's draft the Authority shall consult him.
- (8) Where the Secretary of State gives a direction under this section he shall lay before Parliament—
  - (a) a copy of the direction, and
  - (b) a report about it.
- (9) If the Secretary of State thinks that a plan of action submitted by the Authority under this section is inadequate, he may—
  - (a) inform the Authority of his opinion and the reasons for it, and
  - (b) give a new direction under this section.

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**Commencement Information**

**II** [S. 66](#) in force at 1.7.2004 by [S.I. 2004/1572](#), [art. 3\(vvw\)](#)

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